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July 12, 2011

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION:
AUTHORIZE THE DIRECTOR OF PARKS AND RECREATION
TO ACCEPT SPECIFIED EXCESS FUNDS TO SUPPLEMENT AN EXISTING GRANT
FOR THE PARK TO PLAYA-TRAIL SEGMENT 1 PROJECT
CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 86704
AT KENNETH HAHN STATE RECREATION AREA
(SECOND DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Director of Parks and Recreation to accept \$100,000 in Specified Excess Funds to supplement an existing grant, reallocated from the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority, pursuant to the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996, for the Park to Playa-Trail Segment 1 Project at Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find the proposed action categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act according to Sections 15304 and 15311 of the State California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, and Classes 4 and 11 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the Project involves minor alterations to the condition of the land and the construction of minor structures.

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2. Authorize the Director of Parks and Recreation to accept \$100,000 in Specified Excess Funds, reallocated from the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority to supplement an existing grant, conduct all negotiations, and submit all documents, including, but not limited to, amendments, and payment requests, which may be necessary for the completion of the Park to Playa-Trail Segment 1 Project, Capital Project No. 86704, at Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of the recommended actions will allow the Director of Parks and Recreation (Department) to accept the funds to supplement an existing grant for the Park to Playa-Trail Segment 1 Project (Project).

On April 7, 2011, the Baldwin Hills Regional Conservation Authority's (Authority) governing body adopted a resolution assigning its right to apply for a Specified Excess Funds (Proposition A) grant to the Department in the amount of \$100,000 from the Regional Park and Open Space District (District) for the Department's Park to Playa-Trail Segment 1 Project (Project), Capital Project No. 86704, at Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area.

The proposed Project is located at 4100 South La Cienega Boulevard in Los Angeles. The scope of work will consist of installation of an information kiosk, directional signage, a decomposed granite trail with a concrete header, a new dirt surface trail with retaining walls as necessary; new vista point with decomposed granite pad, benches, fencing, and re-planting. The existing wood steps that lead up to the Japanese garden will be replaced with railroad ties and decomposed granite in the trail treads. Additionally, the trail will switchback to connect to an existing trail system that leads to the City View Trail.

In a related action scheduled for today's agenda, the District is recommending that your Board approve the assignment of the right to apply for a Proposition A grant to the Department from the Authority, in the amount of \$100,000, for the Project.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions will further the Board-approved County Strategic Plan Goals of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1), Children, Family, and Adult Well-Being (Goal 2), and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3), by providing access to recreational activities through vital trails connections in the Baldwin Hills.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The total Project cost is estimated at \$120,000. Sufficient appropriation for the grant supplement, in the amount of \$100,000, is budgeted in the Second Supervisorial District's portion of the District's Specified Excess Funds Project Fund, HD6. The existing Proposition A grant of \$20,000 is budgeted in the Park to Playa-Trail Segment 1 Project, Capital Project No. 86704. Your Board's approval of the reallocation of \$100,000 of Specified Excess Funds from the Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 will fully fund the Project.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The Safe Neighborhood Parks Proposition of 1996 requires that agencies to which funds were allocated under the Safe Neighborhood Parks Propositions of 1992 and 1996 encumber all such funds prior to receiving grants of Excess Funds. The Department has met this requirement.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed Project is categorically exempt from California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) according to Sections 15304 and 15311 of the State CEQA Guidelines, and Classes 4 and 11 of the Environmental Document Reporting Procedures and Guidelines, adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987, because the Project involves minor alterations to the condition of the land and the construction of minor structures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

These actions will have no impact on any other projects or services within the Kenneth Hahn State Recreation Area.

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CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of Board letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division, and to the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. T. Fujioka', written in a cursive style.

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